



**LAS VEGAS FIRE & RESCUE**  
OFFICE OF PUBLIC EDUCATION & INFORMATION  
**CITIZENS FIRE ACADEMY**

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Timothy R. Szymanski – Academy Director / Jo O'Rourke – Assistant Academy Director

Dear Citizens Fire Academy Applicant,

Attached is the application for the **12<sup>th</sup> Annual Las Vegas Fire & Rescue Citizens Fire Academy**, which is being planned for February 24 through May 5, 2011. Each class will meet from 6:30PM to 9:30PM each Thursday night for 10 weeks. The class will be limited to a maximum of 20 students.

Please fill in the attached application and return to the following address:

**CITIZENS FIRE ACADEMY**  
LAS VEGAS FIRE & RESCUE  
500 NORTH CASINO CENTER BLVD.  
LAS VEGAS, NV 89101

Or you can fax it in to: (702) 229-0152

Or you can e-mail it in as an attachment to: [CFA@LasVegasNevada.gov](mailto:CFA@LasVegasNevada.gov)

Please return your completed application no later than Friday, January 28, 2011. You will be notified shortly after that if you have been accepted.

There is no cost for the class. There are some costs involved. Each student will be asked to purchase a "class shirt" which can be worn during classes, and while doing ride alongs with fire crews. It will also be worn during graduation and any future activities with Fire & Rescue. You will need to attend at least eight of the ten classes to obtain your certificate.

The Citizens Fire Academy is not designed for employment purposes. It is to give residents an overview of how fire and emergency services operate in Las Vegas. This year the Clark County Fire Department and Henderson Fire & Rescue are also participating in the program with a class at each of their training centers. This will allow for an even broader overview of operations valley-wide.

Over 125 people applied for the 20 positions last year. Selection is based on your application, mainly if you are committed to attending all of the classes of the academy. Of the qualified, there will be a random selection process so everyone has an equal chance of being one of the 20 people selected. I regret I can not have all that apply be able to attend the academy, it is just not possible. I hope you understand.

If you have any questions, feel free to call the CFA Hotline at (702) 229-0146 or e-mail me at:  
[CFA@LasVegasNevada.gov](mailto:CFA@LasVegasNevada.gov).

TIMOTHY R. SZYMANSKI  
FIRE & RESCUE PUBLIC EDUCATION & INFORMATION OFFICER  
CITIZENS FIRE ACADEMY DIRECTOR

**LAS VEGAS FIRE & RESCUE  
CITIZEN'S FIRE ACADEMY  
CLASS OF 2011**

February 24, 2011 – MAY 5, 2011 (Each Thursday  
& 1 Saturday April 9)

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Pager \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Eyes \_\_\_\_\_ Hair \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS INFORMATION IS NEEDED FOR HELPING DETERMINE CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS AND I.D. PURPOSES; IT IS NOT USED TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR THE CLASS.**

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Days/Hours Work \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital  
Preference \_\_\_\_\_

Any known medical conditions \_\_\_\_\_

Medications taking \_\_\_\_\_

Any known allergies \_\_\_\_\_

## EDUCATION

Circle last grade completed: 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Are you presently enrolled in school/classes now? IF YES, Please List Class and Days/Times:

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List ANY FIRE SERVICE or EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRAINING: Include fire training in military, first aid courses, CPR, and like. List THE MOST RECENT FIRST:

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ATTACH MORE PAGES IF NECESSARY.

DO YOU KNOW OR ARE YOU RELATED TO ANYONE IN THE FIRE SERVICE OR EMEGENCY MEDICAL FIELD? (Include name and relationship)

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HAVE YOU COMPLETED ANY OTHER CITIZENS ACADEMY OR THE LIKE? Please list with dates attended:

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DO YOU HAVE ACCESS TO A TV & DVD PLAYER WHERE YOU COULD WATCH A DVD AS PART OF A HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT? (CIRCLE ONE) **YES NO**

DO YOU HAVE ACCESS TO A COMPUTER THAT CAN ACCESS THE INTERNET TO COMPLETE HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS? (CIRCLE ONE) **YES NO**

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF ANY CIVIC GROUPS / PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS? IF SO, PLEASE LIST:

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**IMPORTANT - THE REST OF THIS APPLICATION WILL CARRY THE MOST WEIGHT AS TO WHO WILL BE SELECTED TO ATTEND THE ACADEMY. PLEASE READ THE QUESTION CAREFULLY, AND ANSWER THE QUESTION AS COMPLETELY AS POSSIBLE. YOU MAY ADD EXTRA PAGES IF YOU WISH.**

Classes are scheduled to meet each Tuesday from 6:30PM until 9:30PM for approximately ten weeks, and one class all day on Saturday in April. Are you committed to attend EVERY class ? (circle one)

**YES WILL TRY TO MOST CLASSES UNKNOWN**

**WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO LEARN OR ACCOMPLISH BY COMPLETING THIS ACADEMY?**

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**THIS IS MOST DIFFICULT QUESTION:**  
**Only 20 students will be selected for each class. Why should YOU be selected as one of the 20?**  
 (Add extra pages if needed).

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There is the possibility in the future that students who complete the Las Vegas Fire & Rescue Citizens Fire Academy could become a member of a pool of volunteers to help with various (non firefighting) projects concerning our department. Would you be interested in becoming a member of this group if one is formed? (Circle one)

YES NO

**In the event** you are not selected as one of the 25 finalist, would you be interested in attending another duplicate Academy on another night of that same week if it were offered? (Circle one)

YES NO

Do you wish to make any last remarks?

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**DEADLINE TO APPLY: January 28, 2011**

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**Applications will be reviewed during December & January. Those selected will be notified by mail no later than February 11, 2011.**

**LAS VEGAS FIRE & RESCUE  
CITIZENS FIRE ACADEMY  
CLASS 2011  
TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE  
SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**Class 1 / Feb. 24 Thursday - Fire Headquarters – 500 N. Casino Center Blvd**

Welcome by Fire Chief	Chief Mike Myers	1830-1900
Pass out materials/discuss class schedule	PEIO Szymanski/Jo O'Rourke	1900-1930
Break		1930-1945
History of Fire Service/Types of Fire Service	PEIO Szymanski	1945-2015
Las Vegas Fire & Rescue Organization	PEIO Szymanski	2015-2100
Class Administrative Affairs	Jo O'Rourke	2100-2130

**Class 2 / March 3 Thursday – Fire Headquarters**

Administration/Qualifications of Firefighter	Asst Chief Jess Campbell	1830-1900
Fire Service Equipment (Apparatus/Tools)	PEIO Szymanski	1900-1930
Break		1930-1945
Valley Fire Service Organizations	PEIO Szymanski	1945-2015
Incident Command System & Alarms	PEIO Szymanski	2015-2100
Class Administrative Affairs	Jo O'Rourke	2100-2130

**Class 3 / March 10 Thursday - Fire Headquarters**

Communications/Alarm Systems	PEIO Szymanski	1830-1945
Break		1945-2000
Tour of Fire Alarm Office / 9-1-1 Center	Dispatchers	2000-2100
Class Administrative Affairs	Jo O'Rourke	2100-2130

**Class 4 / March 17 Thursday - Fire Headquarters**

Budget	Roy Lawson	1830-1915
LVFR Fire Foundation	Roy Lawson & PEIO	1915-1930
Fire Prevention Division	PEIO Szymanski	1930-2000
Break		2000-2015
Operations Division	PEIO Szymanski	2015-2045
Administration Division	PEIO Szymanski	2045-2115
Class Administrative Affairs	Jo O'Rourke	2115-2130

**Class 5 / March 24 Thursday – CLV / CSN Instructional Center / Fire Station 6, 1680 S. Torrey Pines**

Tour of CLV / CSN Instructional Center	Louis Baker	1830-1930
Break		1930-1945
Emergency Medical Services	Dr. Slattery & EMS 1	1945-2030
Tour of Rescue Unit	Rescue 6	2030-2045
CPR & AED Orientation*	Staff	2045-2130

**Class 6 / March 31 Thursday – Henderson Fire Dept Training Center 401 Parkson**

Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Program	Kathryn Hooper HFD PFYR	1830-1945
Break		1930-1945
Tour of Henderson Fire Dept		1945-2100

**Class 7 / April 7 Thursday – Clark County Fire Dept. Training Center 4425 W. Tropicana**

CCFD Organization	Fire Chief Bert Washington	1830-1930
Break		1930-1945
Tour of CCFD Training - Urban Search and Rescue (USAR)		1945-2130

**Class 8 / April 9 Saturday - Las Vegas Fire & Rescue Fire Training Center 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

0900 Meet at Fire Training Center – Roll call

1300 Clean up & dismiss

Area 1: Hazardous Materials Demonstration

Area 2: Vehicle Extrication Demonstration

Area 3: Pumper/Aerial Truck Demonstration

Area 4: Hands on live fire extinguisher class

Area 5: Simulated building fire

Area 6: Bomb Squad Display

**Class 9 / April 14 Thursday - Fire Headquarters**

American Red Cross	ARC Rep	1830-1915
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Trauma Intervention Program	TIP Rep	1915-2000
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Break		2000-2015
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CERT	Rick Diebold	2015-2100
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Class Administrative Affairs	Jo O'Rourke	2100-2130
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**NO CLASS THURSDAY APRIL 21 – SPRING BREAK**

**Class 10 / April 28 Thursday - Fire Headquarters**

Fire Safety Education class	PEIO T. Szymanski	1830-1945
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Break		1945-2000
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Bee Safety	PEIO T. Szymanski	2000-2030
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Finishing Class matters	Jo O'Rourke	2030-2100
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**GRADUATION – THURSDAY MAY 5 6:30 – 9:00PM**

**LOCATION: CHARLESTON HEIGHTS ARE CENTER, 800 BRUSH STREET**

Honor Guard posting of the Colors (if available)

Pledge of Allegiance

Chaplain

Welcome by Academy Director, PEIO T. Szymanski

Comments by Fire Chief Mike Myers

Class Speaker:

Hand Out Certificates

Final Comments by the Academy Director

Dismiss – Reception

**RIDE ALONGS (OPERATIONS)** Each Citizen will have the opportunity to do a ride along with an Engine company.

Minimum time is two hours (or at least two responses), maximum time is four hours. There will be a special schedule to set up your ride along times. The calendar will be available each class. Each ride along must be approved by the CFA Director or Assistant Director